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March 27, 1952

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Bureau of the Budget

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The advisability of using this Act as a means of obtaining the legislative authorization required for the future care and utilization of escapees is seriously questioned. The Board and I, therefore, strongly urge that Title II be dropped from the Act and that language for this purpose be incorporated in the Mutual Security Act of 1952.

My reasons for the first recommendation were set forth in my letter to you of March 12, in which I commented on an earlier draft of a proposed bill.

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Sincerely yours,

Raymond D. Allen  
Director

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

March 25, 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Secretary of State  
The Secretary of Defense  
The Attorney General  
The Director, Mutual Security Agency  
The Administrator, Federal Security Agency  
The Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
The Director, Psychological Strategy Board  
The Chairman, National Security Resources Board

Comments have been received from you and certain other agencies on a draft bill circulated by this office earlier this month with the short title "Special Migration Assistance Act of 1952." This bill was designed to provide a statutory framework consistent with a draft of Presidential message on the same subject circulated to you by the White House.

The President's Message was delivered to the Congress on March 24. The attached redraft of legislation is sent to you for your information and further review at the request of the White House. Final comments on this redraft are requested from each agency listed at the top of this memorandum by 4:00 p.m. on March 26, 1952. A meeting to which you are invited to send a representative will be held at 4:00 p.m. on March 26 in Room 259 Executive Office Building for the further review and discussion of this bill.

*Roger D. Jones*  
Assistant Director for  
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Attachment  
Redraft of bill

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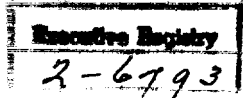
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Mr. Roger W. Jones  
Assistant Director for  
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Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jones:

In your letter of March 10, 1952, you requested an expression of this Agency's views with respect to a draft bill entitled: "The Special Migration Assistance Act of 1952."

The only portions of Title I of the proposed bill which would appear to have a direct effect for this Agency are Sections 108 and 110, concerning investigation and report on all persons prior to admittance under the Act, and to security and exclusion of persons opposed to our form of Government. While not specified, we would expect that this Agency would be required to conduct name checks and other investigations on those whose entry might be proposed under the authority of this bill. The work load of such checks cannot be accurately estimated, but would appear to be similar to that imposed on this Agency by the requirements of the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, as amended, and the Internal Security Act of 1950.

In our view Title II, which relates to Refugees from Communism, presents a substantially different subject matter than Title I and as such might require the consideration by different committees of the Congress. Consequently, we would suggest that the two titles should not be included in one bill.

Certain aspects of the subject matter of Title II have been under consideration for some time by the Psychological Strategy Board, on which this Agency is represented. We understand that

the Psychological Strategy Board is shortly submitting its report on the proposed legislation and we desire to defer further comment with respect to Title II until we have had an opportunity to study the Board's recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

**SIGNED**

Allen W. Dulles  
Deputy Director

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